

**DECLARATION**(Original, Design, National Stage of PCT  
or CIP Application)**ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.**

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As a below named inventor I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**IMPROVED FILM-FORMING COMPOSITIONS FOR PROTECTING ANIMAL SKIN**

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c) for type of application)

**REGULAR OR DESIGN APPLICATION**(a) ☒ is attached hereto.(b) ☐ was filed on \_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).**PCT FILED APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL PHASE**(c) ☐ was described and claimed in International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

[ ] In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

**PRIORITY CLAIM**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

(complete (d) or (e))

(d) ☒ no such applications have been filed.(e) ☐ such applications have been filed as follows

<b>EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO SAID APPLICATION</b>				
Country	Application No.	Date of Filing	Date of Issue	Priority Claimed
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**PROVISIONAL**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States application(s) listed below:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Status (patented, pending, abandoned)
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**CONTINUATION-IN-PART**

(Complete This Part Only If This Is A Continuation-In-Part Application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a), which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Serial No.: ) Group Art Unit  
Filed: )  
IMPROVED FILM-FORMING COMPOSITIONS )  
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Dear Sir:

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The Owner (hereinafter "Assignee") of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-referenced application is DeLaval Holding AB, P.O. Box 39 SE-147 21, Tumba, Sweden. The undersigned, Thomas C. Hemling, and has the authority to sign on behalf of Assignee.

An assignment of the above-referenced application from the inventors, THOMAS C. HEMLING; HARINATH B. BATHINA; and PABLO M. JANOWICZ, to Assignee is attached hereto.

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